HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 930

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the members of the 2010 Mule Day Court and the 2010 Mule Day Queen, Lindsey Jo Thomas.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those young citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as outstanding Tennesseans of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Lindsey Jo Thomas, who was recently crowned the 2010 Mule Day Queen; and

WHEREAS, the beauty pageant is open to girls between the ages of fifteen and twentyone and was held on Saturday, March 6, 2010, at Columbia State Community College; and

WHEREAS, Lindsey Jo Thomas is a freshman at Columbia State Community College, where she is majoring in Nursing; she is currently employed at Columbia Multi-Specialty Clinic and enjoys running, dancing, and spending time with family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Thomas's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Janie and Donnie Thomas, her community, and the City of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, the members of this year's Mule Day Court of the Mule Day Celebration, which will be held April 8 through April 11, 2010, in Columbia, are Brittany Sharp of Santa Fe, Tiffany Smith of Mount Pleasant, Hannah Lawrence of Columbia, and Mary Elizabeth Rinehart of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, Brittany Sharp, the daughter of Helen Hill, is a freshmen at Columbia State Community College where she is majoring in Mass Communications and Athletic Training; she enjoys attending exercise classes and aspires to become a motivational speaker for obese adolescents; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany Smith, the daughter of Kim McKennon and Paul Smith, is also a freshmen at Columbia State Community College who hopes to begin her school's radiology program this summer; she enjoys public speaking as well as reading, playing with her dogs, and spending time with her friends; and

WHEREAS, Hannah Lawrence, the daughter of Jocinda Martin and Wayne Lawrence, is a sophomore at Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville, majoring in General Health Sciences with a concentration in Pre-Dental Hygiene; she is an active member of the Delta Gamma Sorority and diligently raises funds for The Tennessee School for the Blind; and

WHEREAS, Mary Elizabeth Rinehart, the daughter of Darrel and Yvonne Rinehart, is a junior at Battleground Academy and a member of the National Honor Society and the Arts Guild; a gifted musician and talented actress, she was named First Chair, First Soprano in the 2010 All-State Choir and won the leading role in several school musicals; and

WHEREAS, the highlight of the four girls' illustrious reign as the Mule Day Court will be their essential role in the Mule Day Parade on Saturday, April 10th; and

WHEREAS, the Mule Day Queen and her court play a prominent role in the promotion of Mule Day, participating in media interviews, serving as hostesses during the festivities, and traveling to the State Capitol in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Mule Day Queen Lindsey Jo Thomas and the four esteemed women of her court will represent the great Maury County and the fair City of Columbia with the highest levels of grace and joy; and

WHEREAS, Lindsey Jo, Brittany, Tiffany, Hannah, and Mary Elizabeth epitomize the spirit and commitment characteristic of true Tennesseans; their dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect and admiration of this legislative body; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud these young women for their remarkable achievements; now, therefore.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Lindsey Jo Thomas of Culleoka upon

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being crowned the 2010 Mule Day Queen as well as the members of the 2010 Mule Day Court, Brittany Sharp, Tiffany Smith, Hannah Lawrence, and Mary Elizabeth Rinehart, extending to them our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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